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In re application of : Izuru NAKAI et al.

Serial No. 09/892,651

Group Art Unit : 1725

Filed June 28, 2001

Examiner : Len Tran

For LASER PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD

THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.111 in the above-captioned application.

- \_\_\_ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.  
 \_\_\_ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
 \_\_\_ A Request for Extension of Time.  
 \_\_\_ No Additional Fee.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

Claims After Amendment	No. Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity		Other Than A Small Entity	
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Total Claims: 10	* 20	0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$ 0.00
Indep. Claims: 6	**3	3	x 42=	\$	x 84=	\$252.00
Multiple Dependent Claims Presented			140=	\$	+280=	\$ 0.00
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☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17, including any required extension of time fees in any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for extension of time for its timely submission (37 CFR 1.136)(a)(3).

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 23, 2002, in which the three month shortened statutory period for responding thereto is extended from December 23, 2002 to February 24, 2003 (February 23, 2003 being a Sunday) by a simultaneously filed request for a two month extension of time and the payment of the appropriate extension of time fee, re-examination and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested in view of the following:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 2 and 8.

Please amend the claims, as follows. A marked-up copy of the claims is attached hereto as "APPENDIX A - MARKED-UP CLAIMS".

Please amend claim 1, as follows:

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